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Office Action Summary

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Phuoc H. Nguyen

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 October 2004.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-135 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-135 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

This office action is in response to the amendment filed on October 27, 2004. Previous office action contained claims 1-135. Amendment filed on October 27, 2004 have been entered and made of record. Therefore, pending claims 1-135 are presented for further consideration and examination.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed October 27, 2004 have been fully considered by they are not persuasive.

The applicant argues with respect to claims 1, 48, and 95 that Jorgensen U.S. Patent 6,680,922 does not discloses invocation of service through an application server on network to establish an amount of network resources requested by the first user as defined by claims 1, 48, and 95.

The examiner respectfully submits that Jorgensen's invention teaches invocation of service through an application server on network to establish an amount of network resources requested by the first user (e.g. user can defined parameters to prioritize the IP flow, see Abstract; col. 3 lines 61-66; col. 48 lines 10-28; and col. 72 lines 33-46).

Double Patenting

The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

2. Claims 1-135 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Jorgensen U.S. Patent 6,680,922.

3. Regarding claims 1, 48, and 95, Jorgensen teaches a method a first user to communicate in an Internet Protocol (IP) centric distributed network with a plurality of service layers providing a plurality of functions associated with each of the service layers, the method comprising: accessing the network to establish a point of presence at an access management layer and a core portion of the network and to designate a default amount of bandwidth and a plurality of default setup parameters (Abstract); invoking service through an application server

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on the network to establish an amount of network resources requested by the first user (Figure 7; col. 52, lines 35-43; col. 82, lines 2-26); establishing a transport session to create and manage a connection from the first user to a destination address (Figure 4, col. 41, lines 34-45, and col. 47, lines 30-44); and accounting for a level of quality of service for a service session within the IP centric distributed network (col. 43, 2nd paragraph; and Col. 44, lines 46-54).

4. Regarding claims 2, and 49, Jorgensen further teaches the plurality of service layers includes a network service function layer (col. 42, lines 7-39).

5. Regarding claims 3, and 50, Jorgensen further teaches the plurality of service layers includes a local service function layer (col. 30, lines 36-43; and col. 33, lines 19-27).

6. Regarding claims 4, and 51, Jorgensen further teaches the plurality of service layers includes an access service function layer (col. 14, lines 37-49).

7. Regarding claims 5, and 52, Jorgensen further teaches distribution of client server functions within the local service layer (Figures 1 A and 2c).

8. Regarding claims 6, and 53, Jorgensen further teaches distribution of client server functions within an access network (col. 24, last paragraph through col. 25, 1st paragraph).

9. Regarding claims 7, and 54, Jorgensen further teaches the accessing the network is done through an any access network (xAN) (Figure 2c).

10. Regarding claims 9, 55, and 96, Jorgensen further teaches the accounting for a level of quality of service accommodates desired accounting parameters based on the level of quality of service requested (col. 43, 2nd paragraph).

11. Regarding claims 9,56, and 97, Jorgensen further teaches the accounting for a level of quality of service accommodates modifying accounting parameters based on a dynamic change in the level of quality of service (col. 57, lines 52-61).

12. Regarding claims 10,57, and 98, Jorgensen further teaches the accounting for a level of quality of service supports multiple simultaneous applications or services with respective levels of quality of service (col. 43, 2nd paragraph).

13. Regarding claims 11,59, and 99, Jorgensen further teaches the accounting for a level of quality of service dynamically segments and aligns billing information to accommodate dynamic changes in the level of quality of service (Figure 11).

14. Regarding claims 12,19,20,22,59,66,67,69,100,107,108, and 110, Jorgensen further teaches requesting a quality of service change initiated from the first/second user (col. 14, 2nd paragraph).

15. Regarding claims 13-14,60-61, and 101-702, Jorgensen further teaches communicating between an access point and a policy manager, and the policy manager can be at the access point or at the core network (Figure 11).

16. Regarding claims 15,62, and 103, Jorgensen further teaches creating a user accounting entry at the xAN, corresponding to the requested quality of service and indicating allocated resources for the requested quality of service (col. 78, lines 25-67; and col. 79, lines 15-35).

17. Regarding claims 16,26,33,63,73,80,104,114, and 121, Jorgensen further teaches sending an accounting model indicator to the xAN (col. 79, lines 20-35).

18. Regarding claims 17,27,64,74,105, and 115, Jorgensen further teaches sending a message to start a record from xAN to an accounting server at the local service layer (Figure 11).

19. Regarding claims 18,28,65,75,106 and 116, Jorgensen further teaches updating a service detail record for the requested quality of service (col. 79, lines 20-35).

20. Regarding claims 21,68, and 109, Jorgensen further teaches the requested quality of service is initiated indirectly by the second user and directly from a network that the second user is attached to (col. 14, 2nd paragraph).

21. Regarding claims 23-24,70-71, and 111-112, Jorgensen further teaches communicating between an access point and a policy manager, and the policy manager can be at the access point or at the core network (Figures 2c and 11).

22. Regarding claims 25,72, and 113, Jorgensen further teaches creating a user accounting entry at the xAN, corresponding to the requested quality of service and indicating allocated resources for the requested quality of service (col. 78, lines 25-67; and col. 79, lines 15-35).

23. Regarding claims 29,76, and 117, Jorgensen further teaches requesting a quality of service change initiated from an allied application server (col. 63, 2nd paragraph).

24. Regarding claims 30,77, and 118, Jorgensen further teaches creating a service accounting entry at the allied application server indicating allocated services corresponding to the requested quality of service (col. 63, 2nd paragraph).

25. Regarding claims 31,78, and 119, Jorgensen further teaches sending a message to start a record from the allied application server to an accounting server at the local service layer (Figure 11).

26. Regarding claims 32,79, and 120, Jorgensen further teaches updating a service detail record corresponding to a user accounting entry for the requested quality of service, and wherein the user accounting entry is at the local service layer (col. 78, lines 25 through col. 79, lines 35).

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27. Regarding claims 34,81, and 122, Jorgensen further teaches creating a user accounting entry at the xAN to track usage specific to the requested quality of service (col. 79, lines 20-35).
28. Regarding claims 35,82, and 123, Jorgensen further teaches dynamically changing the level of quality of service during an established service session (cot. 57, lines 52-61).
29. Regarding claims 36,83, and 124, Jorgensen further teaches sending a stop record with quality of service data corresponding to usage before the change in the level of quality of service (col. 13, 1st paragraph).
30. Regarding claims 37,84, and 125, Jorgensen further teaches de-allocating, from the xAN, an user accounting entry associated the usage before the change in the level of quality of service (col. 13, 1st paragraph).
31. Regarding claims 38,47,85,94,126, and 135, Jorgensen further teaches updating a service detail record at the local service layer (col. 78, lines 25 through col. 79, lines 35).
32. Regarding claims 39,86, and 127 Jorgensen further teaches sending a service detail record from an accounting server at the local service layer to an accounting server at the first user's network service layer (Figure 11; and col. 78, lines 25 through col. 79, lines 35).
33. Regarding claims 40,87, and 128, Jorgensen further teaches storing the service detail record at the accounting server of the first user at the network service layer (figure 11).
34. Regarding claims 41,88, and 129, Jorgensen further teaches creating a user accounting entry at the xAN to track usage specific to the change in the level of quality of service (cot. 78, lines 25 through col. 79, lines 35).

35. Regarding claims 42,89, and 130, Jorgensen further teaches sending from the xAN, a start record message corresponding to the change in the level of quality of service to an accounting server at the local service layer (col. 13, 1st paragraph).

36. Regarding claims 43,90, and 131, Jorgensen further teaches creating a service detail record at an accounting server at the local service layer with an identical session ID as a service detail record corresponding to the level of quality of service before the change (col. 78, lines 25 through col. 79, lines 35).

37. Regarding claims 44,91, and 132, Jorgensen further teaches dynamically changing the level of quality of service during an established service session at an application server on an Internet (col. 57, lines 52-61).

38. Regarding claims 45,92, and 133, Jorgensen further teaches creating a user accounting entry at the xAN to track usage specific to the change in the level of quality of service (col. 78, lines 25 through col. 79, lines 35).

39. Regarding claims 46,93, and 134, Jorgensen further teaches sending from the xAN, a start record message corresponding to the change in the level of quality of service to an accounting server at the local service layer (Figure 11; col. 13, 1st paragraph; and col. 78, lines 25 through cal. 79, lines 35).

Conclusion

40. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Phuoc H. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-3919. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Wiley can be reached on 571-272-3923. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

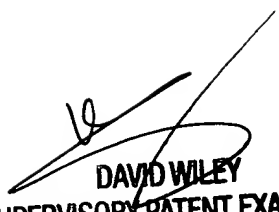
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